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## House of Representatives

The House met at 9 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. HARRIS).

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,  
December 22, 2023.

I hereby appoint the Honorable ANDY HARRIS to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

MIKE JOHNSON,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

### PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following prayer:

Gentle God of love and compassion, we approach You this morning, emerging from the longest night of the year. Far from just an astronomical event, this seemingly endless midwinter night serves as a painful reminder of the unrelenting shadow of loss and loneliness endured by so many, their grief made even more painful when held in stark contrast to the joyful strains of holiday songs and festive gatherings.

O come, O come Emmanuel, God with us, and ransom these hearts held captive to sadness and suffering. Hear their mournful cries pleading for Your mercy, desperate for Your salvation. Disperse the gloomy clouds of their nights of terror and trauma.

May the people who walk in darkness in this holiday season—in our own homes and our communities and across the globe—see Your great light. Those who live in a land overshadowed by death's devastation, on them may Your light shine.

Wonderful counselor, Almighty God, everlasting Father, Prince of Peace, es-

tablish Your truth and justice on the Earth. May Your kingdom reign and of Your peace may there be no end.

In Your sovereign name we pray to You this day.  
Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(z) of House Resolution 5, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, December 20, 2023.

Hon. MIKE JOHNSON,  
*Speaker, House of Representatives,*  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on December 20, 2023, at 1:07 p.m.

That the Senate passed S. 310.  
That the Senate passed S. 484.  
That the Senate passed S. 679.  
That the Senate passed S. 950.  
That the Senate passed S. 1414.

That the Senate passed S. 1416.  
That the Senate passed S. 1478.  
That the Senate passed S. 2073.  
That the Senate passed S. 2685.  
That the Senate passed S. 3427.  
That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 1722.  
That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 2839.  
That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 6503.  
With best wishes, I am,  
Sincerely,

KEVIN F. MCCUMBER,  
*Acting Clerk.*

### ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Kevin F. McCumber, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled bills of the House of the following titles, which were thereupon signed by the Speaker pro tempore, Mr. HARRIS:

H.R. 1722. An act to amend the Grand Ronde Reservation Act, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2839. An act to amend the Siletz Reservation Act to address the hunting, fishing, trapping, and animal gathering rights of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6503. An act to amend title 49, United States Code, to extend authorizations for the airport improvement program, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, and for other purposes.

### ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(z) of House Resolution 5, the House stands adjourned until 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, December 26, 2023.

Thereupon (at 9 o'clock and 4 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, December 26, 2023, at 9:30 a.m.

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor.



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EXPENDITURE REPORTS CONCERNING OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL

Reports concerning the foreign currencies and U.S. dollars utilized for Official Foreign Travel during the first, third, and fourth quarters of 2023, pursuant to Public Law 95–384, are as follows:

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, DELEGATION TO DENMARK, EXPENDED BETWEEN OCT. 5 AND OCT. 10, 2023

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem <sup>1</sup>		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>
Hon. Michael Turner .....	10/5	10/10	Denmark .....	4,203.00	12,860.00	17,063.00					
Hon. Gerald Connolly .....	10/5	10/10	Denmark .....	4,203.00	7,826.00	12,029.00					
Hon. Rick Larson .....	10/5	10/10	Denmark .....	2,620.00	3,615.00	6,235.00					
Hon. Brendan Boyle .....	10/5	10/10	Denmark .....	2,620.00	2,294.00	4,914.00					
Hon. Joe Wilson .....	10/5	10/10	Denmark .....	2,620.00	3,983.00	6,603.00					
Hon. Rich McCormick .....	10/5	10/9	Denmark .....	2,217.00	2,924.00	5,141.00					
Hon. Neal Dunn .....	10/5	10/10	Denmark .....	2,620.00	7,982.00	10,602.00					
Jason Galanes .....	10/5	10/10	Denmark .....	2,260.00	3,615.00	5,875.00					
Collin Davenport .....	10/5	10/10	Denmark .....	2,260.00	3,605.00	5,865.00					
Phil Bednarczyk .....	10/5	10/10	Denmark .....	2,260.00	5,081.00	7,341.00					
Kelly Repair .....	10/5	10/9	Denmark .....	1,778.00	2,461.00	4,239.00					
Committee total .....				29,661.00	56,246.00	85,907.00					

<sup>1</sup> Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.  
<sup>2</sup> If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.

HON. MIKE JOHNSON, Dec. 17, 2023.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, DELEGATION TO FRANCE, EXPENDED BETWEEN NOV. 4 AND NOV. 7, 2023

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem <sup>1</sup>		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>
Hon. Nancy Pelosi .....	11/4	11/7	France .....	.....	156.00	.....	6,262.00	.....	.....	.....	6,418.00
Kate Knudson .....	11/4	11/7	France .....	.....	1,738.00	.....	1,041.00	.....	.....	.....	2,779.00
Committee total .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,894.00	.....	7,303.00	.....	.....	.....	9,197.00

<sup>1</sup> Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.  
<sup>2</sup> If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.

HON. MIKE JOHNSON, Dec. 4, 2023.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, DELEGATION TO GERMANY, EXPENDED BETWEEN NOV. 10 AND NOV. 11, 2023

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem <sup>1</sup>		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>
Hon. Nancy Pelosi .....	11/10	11/11	Germany .....	.....	133.00	.....	9,798.00	.....	.....	.....	9,931.00
Kate Knudson .....	11/10	11/11	Germany .....	.....	513.00	.....	8,501.50	.....	.....	.....	9,014.50
Committee total .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	646.00	.....	18,299.50	.....	.....	.....	18,945.50

<sup>1</sup> Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.  
<sup>2</sup> If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.

HON. MIKE JOHNSON, Dec. 4, 2023.

(AMENDED) REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN JAN. 1 AND MAR. 31, 2023

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem <sup>1</sup>		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>
Hon. Darrell Issa .....	2/2	2/5	Mexico .....	212.00	( <sup>3</sup> )	549.50	212.00				
	2/19	2/24	Poland .....	424.00	( <sup>3</sup> )	973.50					
	2/21	2/21	Ukraine .....		( <sup>3</sup> )	151.83					
Hon. Veronica Escobar .....	3/19	3/20	Mexico .....	212.00	( <sup>3</sup> )	609.00	821.00				
Committee total .....				848.00		1,310.33	2,158.33				

<sup>1</sup> Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.  
<sup>2</sup> If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.  
<sup>3</sup> Military air transportation.

HON. JIM JORDAN, Dec. 5, 2023.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN JULY 1 AND SEPT. 30, 2023

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem <sup>1</sup>		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>
Hon. Victoria Spartz .....	8/21	8/23	Israel .....	.....	537.00	.....	1,079.70	.....	930.00	.....	2,546.70
	8/23	8/26	Turkey .....	.....	362.00	.....	1,474.35	.....	731.56	.....	2,567.91
	8/26	8/28	Saudia Arabia .....	.....	284.00	.....	5,260.97	.....	829.47	.....	6,374.44
Committee total .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,183.00	.....	7,815.02	.....	2,491.03	.....	11,489.05

<sup>1</sup> Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.  
<sup>2</sup> If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.

HON. JIM JORDAN, Dec. 5, 2023.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS,  
ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

EC-2585. A letter from the Regulatory Specialist, Policy Office, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Travel Management; Administration of the Forest Transportation System; Postdecisional Administrative Review Process for Occupancy or Use of National Forest System Lands and Resources; Land Uses; Special Uses (RIN: 0596-AD54) received December 7, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

EC-2586. A letter from the Director, Office of Legislative Affairs, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's Major final rule — Special Assessment Pursuant to Systemic Risk Determination (RIN: 3064-AF93) received December 20, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

EC-2587. A letter from the Deputy Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Standards for Covered Clearing Agencies for U.S. Treasury Securities and Application of the Broker-Dealer Customer Protection Rule With Respect to U.S. Treasury Securities [Release No.: 34-99149; File No.: S7-23-22] (RIN: 3235-AN09) received December 14, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

EC-2588. A letter from the Senior Policy Advisor, Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Nondisplacement of Qualified Workers Under Service Contracts (RIN: 1235-AA42) received December 19, 2023; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

EC-2589. A letter from the Associate Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's partial withdrawal of direct final rule — Hazardous Waste Generator Improvements Rule, the Hazardous Waste Pharmaceuticals Rule, and the Definition of Solid Waste Rule; Technical Corrections [EPA-HQ-OLEM-2023-0081; FRL 8687-03-OLEM] (RIN: 2050-AH23) received December 5, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-2590. A letter from the Associate Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Air Plan Partial Approval and Partial Disapproval; AK, Fairbanks North Star Borough; 2006 24-Hour PM<sub>2.5</sub> Serious Area and 189(d) Plan [EPA-R10-OAR-2022-0115; FRL-9755-02-R10] received December 5, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-2591. A letter from the Deputy Division Chief, Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's Major final rule — Implementing the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act: Prevention and Elimination of Digital Discrimination [GN Docket No.: 22-69] received December 19, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-2592. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting an

Executive Order to take additional steps with respect to the national emergency in Executive Order 14024 of April 15, 2021, as amended, with respect to the unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security, foreign policy, and economy of the United States posed by specified harmful foreign activities of the Government of the Russian Federation, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1703(b); Public Law 95-223, Sec. 204(b); (91 Stat. 1627) and 50 U.S.C. 1641(b); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(b); (90 Stat. 1257) (H. Doc. No. 118—92); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed.

EC-2593. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 25-325, "Self-Defense Spray Sale and Transfer Clarification Temporary Amendment Act of 2023", pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

EC-2594. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 25-326, "Tipped Wage Increase Implementation Clarification Second Temporary Amendment Act of 2023", pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

EC-2595. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 25-324, "Clear Lanes Bus Priority Enforcement Regulation Temporary Amendment Act of 2023", pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

EC-2596. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 25-323, "Let Our Vows Endure (LOVE) Temporary Amendment Act of 2023", pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

EC-2597. A letter from the Legal Tech, CG-LRA, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Grosse Pointe Farms Fireworks, Lake St. Clair, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI [Docket Number: USCG-2023-0639] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received December 5, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-2598. A letter from the Legal Yeoman, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Security Zone; Lake Tahoe, Glenbrook, NV [Docket Number: USCG-2023-0700] (RIN: 1625-AA87) received December 5, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-2599. A letter from the Legal Yeoman, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Swim for Alligator Lighthouse, Islamorada, FL [Docket Number: USCG-2023-0606] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received December 5, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-2600. A letter from the Legal Yeoman, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Security Zone; Lake Tahoe, Glenbrook, NV [Docket Number: USCG-2023-0699] (RIN: 1625-AA87) received December 5, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-2601. A letter from the Legal Yeoman, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Ohio

River, Mile Markers 322.5 to 323, Ashland, KY [Docket Number: USCG-2023-0707] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received December 5, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-2602. A letter from the Legal Yeoman, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Foster Wedding Fireworks, Lake St. Clair; Grosse Pointe Park, MI [Docket Number: USCG-2023-0696] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received December 5, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-2603. A letter from the Legal Yeoman, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Lahaina Boat Basin, Maui, HI-Emergency Operations and Port Recovery [Docket Number: USCG-2023-0743] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received December 5, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-2604. A letter from the Legal Yeoman, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Special Local Regulation; Find Your Way Home Swim; Detroit River, Grosse Ile, MI [Docket No.: USCG-2023-0717] (RIN: 1625-AA08) received December 5, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-2605. A letter from the Legal Yeoman, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Upper Mississippi River MM 476, Davenport, IA [USCG-2023-0706] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received December 5, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-2606. A letter from the Legal Yeoman, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's interim final rule — DUKW Amphibious Passenger Vessels [Docket No.: USCG-2023-0243] (RIN: 1625-AC88) received December 5, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-2607. A letter from the Legal Yeoman, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; San Diego Bay, San Diego, CA [Docket Number: USCG-2023-0703] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received December 5, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-2608. A letter from the Legal Yeoman, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Grosse Pointe War Memorial Fireworks, Lake St. Clair, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI [Docket Number: USCG-2023-0657] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received December 5, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-2609. A letter from the Legal Yeoman, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary interim rule — Safety Zone; Wilmington River, Savannah, GA [Docket Number: USCG-2023-0466] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received December 5, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110

Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-2610. A letter from the Legal Yeoman, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Bay St. Louis, MS [Docket Number: USCG-2023-0632] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received December 5, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-2611. A letter from the Legal Yeoman, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; South Timbalier Block 22, Gulf of Mexico, Port Fourchon, LA [Docket Number: USCG-2023-0732] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received December 5, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-2612. A letter from the Legal Yeoman, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone, Allegheny River, Mile Markers 15.5 to 16.5, Allegheny County, PA [Docket Number: USCG-2023-0712] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received December 5, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-2613. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Updated Lists of Jurisdictions Under Deposit Interest Rules (Rev. Proc. 2023-36) received December 5, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

EC-2614. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's IRB only rule — Revised Timeline Regarding Implementation of Amended Section 6050W(e) [Notice 2023-74] received December 5, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committee were delivered to the clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. McHenry: Committee on Financial Services. H.R. 4790. A bill to amend the Federal securities laws with respect to the materiality of disclosure requirements, to establish the Public Company Advisory Committee, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 118-336). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

## PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. BEYER (for himself and Ms. ESHOO):

H.R. 6881. A bill to direct the Federal Trade Commission to establish standards for making publicly available information about the training data and algorithms used in artificial intelligence foundation models, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. CARTWRIGHT (for himself, Mr. CARTER of Louisiana, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mrs. GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN, Mr. KILMER, Mr. MOYLAN, Ms. NORTON, Mrs. PELTOLA, Mr. PETERS, Ms. TOKUDA, and Ms. WILD):

H.R. 6882. A bill to enhance the Federal Government's planning and preparation for extreme weather and the Federal Government's dissemination of best practices to respond to extreme weather, thereby increasing resilience, improving regional coordination, and mitigating the financial risk to the Federal Government from such extreme weather, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committees on Oversight and Accountability, and Science, Space, and Technology, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. ESPAILLAT (for himself and Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN):

H.R. 6883. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to require institutions of higher education to track and record additional information on hate crimes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois (for himself, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. HUFFMAN, Mr. GARAMENDI, Mr. ESPAILLAT, and Mr. COHEN):

H.R. 6884. A bill to increase the minimum levels of financial responsibility for transporting property, and to index future increases to changes in inflation relating to medical care; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. HIGGINS of Louisiana (for himself, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. BURLISON, Mr. HARRIS, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. DESJARLAIS, Mr. NEHLS, Mrs. HARSHBARGER, Mrs. LUNA, and Mr. OGLES):

H.R. 6885. A bill to amend title 3, United States Code, to include under the Electoral Count Act of 1887 that the vote of an elector of a State shall not be counted if, with respect to the election for President, the State did not include on the ballot in the State a candidate for President who was nominated by a major political party, and for other purposes; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Mr. HIGGINS of Louisiana (for himself, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. MCGOVERN, and Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina):

H.R. 6886. A bill to direct agencies to be transparent when using automated and augmented systems to interact with the public or make critical decisions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

By Mr. LAWLER:

H.R. 6887. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 86 Main Street in Haverstraw, New York, as the "Paul Piperato Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

By Mr. MAGAZINER (for himself, Mr. MOYLAN, Ms. ADAMS, Mr. AMO, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Ms. BROWNLEY, Mr. CLEAVER, Mrs. HAYES, Ms. JAYAPAL, Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. NADLER, Ms. NORTON, Mr. PETERS, Mrs. RAMIREZ, Ms. ROSS, Mr. RUIZ, Ms. SALINAS, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. TAKANO, Ms. TITUS, Ms. TOKUDA, and Mr. TRONE):

H.R. 6888. A bill to develop career and technical education programs of study and facilities in the areas of renewable energy; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Ms. MALOY:

H.R. 6889. A bill to amend section 1105(a) of title 31, United States Code, to require that annual budget submissions of the President to Congress provide an estimate of the cost per taxpayer of the deficit and of the public debt; to the Committee on the Budget.

By Ms. MALOY:

H.R. 6890. A bill to improve the process for awarding grants under certain programs of the Department of Transportation to certain counties in which the majority of land is owned or managed by the Federal Government and to other units of local government and Tribal governments in those counties, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Ms. MALOY:

H.R. 6891. A bill to improve the process for awarding grants under certain programs of the Department of Agriculture to certain counties in which the majority of land is owned or managed by the Federal Government and to other units of local government and Tribal governments in those counties, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, and Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. MCGOVERN (for himself and Mr. RUTHERFORD):

H.R. 6892. A bill to provide for the coverage of medically necessary food and vitamins and individual amino acids for digestive and inherited metabolic disorders under Federal health programs and private health insurance, to ensure State and Federal protection for existing coverage, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, Oversight and Accountability, and Armed Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Ms. PORTER:

H.R. 6893. A bill to prohibit the disbursement of funds to entities owned or controlled by individuals with executive or managerial authority over the operations of political committees, and for other purposes; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Ms. PORTER (for herself and Mr. CRENSHAW):

H.R. 6894. A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to prohibit the misrepresentation of actions on behalf of candidates, political parties, and political committees and organizations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Ms. SLOTKIN:

H.R. 6895. A bill to amend the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 to extend Federal support for bioindustrial manufacturing processes to include support for the manufacturing of certain pharmaceutical ingredients; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Ms. SLOTKIN:

H.R. 6896. A bill to require a briefing on the national security threats associated with Chinese autonomous ground vehicles operating in the United States; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Ms. SLOTKIN (for herself and Mr. GALLAGHER):

H.R. 6897. A bill to require the Secretary of Defense to establish a pilot program to evaluate novel pharmaceutical manufacturing technologies to reduce the reliance of the Department on foreign manufacturers for active pharmaceutical ingredients and

key starting materials; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Ms. SLOTKIN:

H.R. 6898. A bill to direct the Secretary of Defense to conduct an operational assessment of the installation defense capabilities of the Department of Defense to defeat unmanned aircraft system; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Ms. SLOTKIN:

H.R. 6899. A bill to require the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Logistics, and Technology submit to Congress a report on light tactical wheeled vehicles of the Army, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Ms. SLOTKIN:

H.R. 6900. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to clarify the scope of the SkillBridge program of the Department of Defense, to require annual circulation of information about such program to certain members of the Armed Forces serving on active duty, and to require an annual public awareness campaign to inform potential employers of the program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Ms. SLOTKIN (for herself and Mr. GALLAGHER):

H.R. 6901. A bill to direct the Secretary of Defense to submit to Congress a report on Department of Defense restrictions on the employment of former Department employees by certain countries; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Ms. SLOTKIN:

H.R. 6902. A bill to direct the Department of Defense to report to Congress on the efforts of the Department to coordinate with the defense industrial base for purposes of countering certain capabilities of the People's Liberation of Army; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Ms. SLOTKIN (for herself and Mr. GALLAGHER):

H.R. 6903. A bill to direct the Secretary of Defense to develop a plan to ensure an adequate supply of medications for the military health system; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Ms. SLOTKIN (for herself and Mr. WALTZ):

H.R. 6904. A bill to direct the Secretary of State to further surge capacity to better support special immigrant visa applicants who are nationals of Afghanistan, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. TORRES of New York:

H.R. 6905. A bill to require the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to establish a program to require the National Institute of Standards and Technology to inspect buildings containing covered Federally assisted rental housing, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. WESTERMAN (for himself, Mr. HUFFMAN, and Mr. WOMACK):

H.R. 6906. A bill to amend the Water Resources Development Act of 1992 and the Flood Control Act of 1968 to provide for provisions relating to collection and retention of user fees at recreation facilities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Ms. SLOTKIN:

H. Res. 944. A resolution directing the Secretary of Defense to provide a briefing to the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives on plans to implement certain STEM education and outreach efforts; to the Committee on Armed Services.

## CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY AND SINGLE SUBJECT STATEMENTS

Pursuant to clause 7(c)(1) of rule XII and Section 3(c) of H. Res. 5 the following statements are submitted regarding (1) the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution and (2) the single subject of the bill or joint resolution.

By Mr. BEYER:

H.R. 6881.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution of the United States.

The single subject of this legislation is:

Legislating

By Mr. CARTWRIGHT:

H.R. 6882.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I

The single subject of this legislation is:

Emergency Management

By Mr. ESPAILLAT:

H.R. 6883.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1

The Congress shall have Power to . . . provide for the . . . general Welfare of the United States; . . .

The single subject of this legislation is:

This would require universities and colleges to report the groups or individuals targeted by hate crimes.

By Mr. GARCIA of Illinois:

H.R. 6884.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

U.S. Constitution Article I, Section VIII

The single subject of this legislation is:

To increase the minimum levels of financial responsibility for transporting property, and to index future increases to changes in inflation relating to medical care.

By Mr. HIGGINS of Louisiana:

H.R. 6885.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 4: The Times, Places and Manner of holding Elections for Senators and Representatives, shall be prescribed in each State by the Legislature thereof; but the Congress may at any time by Law make or alter such Regulations, except as to the Places of choosing Senators.

The single subject of this legislation is:

To amend title 3, United States Code, to include under the Electoral Count Act of 1887 that the vote of an elector of a State shall not be counted if, with respect to the election for President, the State did not include on the ballot in the State a candidate for President who was nominated by a major political party.

By Mr. HIGGINS of Louisiana:

H.R. 6886.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18: To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.

The single subject of this legislation is:

To direct agencies to be transparent when using automated and augmented systems to interact with the public or make critical decisions

By Mr. LAWLER:

H.R. 6887.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution

The single subject of this legislation is:  
Post Offices

By Mr. MAGAZINER:

H.R. 6888.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8 of the United States Constitution

The single subject of this legislation is:

Developing career and technical education programs of study and facilities in the area of clean energy

By Ms. MALOY:

H.R. 6889.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8 Clauses I and 3

The single subject of this legislation is:

To amend section 1105(a) of title 31, United States Code, to require that annual budget submissions of the President to Congress provide an estimate of the cost per taxpayer of the deficit and of the public debt.

By Ms. MALOY:

H.R. 6890.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Clause 1 of section 8 article I of the Constitution

The single subject of this legislation is:

To improve the process for awarding grants under certain programs of the Department of Transportation to certain counties in which the majority of land is owned or managed by the Federal Government and to other units of local government and Tribal governments in those counties, and for other purposes.

By Ms. MALOY:

H.R. 6891.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Clause 1 of section 8 of article I of the Constitution.

The single subject of this legislation is:

To improve the process for awarding grants under certain programs of the Department of Agriculture to certain counties in which the majority of land is owned or managed by the Federal Government and to other units of local government and Tribal governments in those counties, and for other purposes.

By Mr. MCGOVERN:

H.R. 6892.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1, the Spending Clause, and Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18, the Necessary and Proper Clause.

The single subject of this legislation is:

To expand coverage under Medicare, Medicaid, other specified federal health care programs, and private health insurance to include foods, vitamins, and individual amino acids that are medically necessary for the management of certain digestive and metabolic disorders and conditions.

By Ms. PORTER:

H.R. 6893.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Section 8 of Article I of the Constitution

The single subject of this legislation is:

To prohibit the disbursement of funds to entities owned or controlled by individuals with executive or managerial authority over the operations of political committees, and for other purposes.

By Ms. PORTER:

H.R. 6894.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Section 8 of Article I of the Constitution

The single subject of this legislation is:

To amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to prohibit the misrepresentation

of actions on behalf of candidates, political parties, and political committees and organizations, and for other purposes.

By Ms. SLOTKIN:

H.R. 6895.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18: To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Office thereof.

The single subject of this legislation is:

To amend the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 to extend Federal support for bioindustrial manufacturing processes to include support for the manufacturing of certain pharmaceutical ingredients.

By Ms. SLOTKIN:

H.R. 6896.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18: To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Office thereof.

The single subject of this legislation is:

To require a briefing on the national security threats associated with Chinese autonomous ground vehicles operating in the United States

By Ms. SLOTKIN:

H.R. 6897.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18: To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Office thereof.

The single subject of this legislation is:

To require the Secretary of Defense to establish a pilot program to evaluate novel pharmaceutical manufacturing technologies to reduce the reliance of the Department on foreign manufacturers for active pharmaceutical ingredients and key starting materials

By Ms. SLOTKIN:

H.R. 6898.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8.

To make all laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into execution the foregoing powers, and all other powers vested by this Constitution in the government of the United States, or in any department or officer thereof.

The single subject of this legislation is:

To direct the Secretary of Defense to conduct an operational assessment of the installation defense capabilities of the Department of Defense to defeat unmanned aircraft system.

By Ms. SLOTKIN:

H.R. 6899.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8.

To make all laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into execution the foregoing powers, and all other powers vested by this Constitution in the government of the United States, or in any department or officer thereof.

The single subject of this legislation is:

This bill requires the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Logistics, and Technology submit to Congress a report on light tactical wheeled vehicles of the Army.

By Ms. SLOTKIN:

H.R. 6900.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8.

To make all laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into execution the foregoing powers, and all other powers vested by this Constitution in the government of the United States, or in any department or officer thereof.

The single subject of this legislation is:

The bill expands the scope of the Skillbridge program, ensuring that public and nonprofit employers are eligible to participate, in addition to private sector employers.

By Ms. SLOTKIN:

H.R. 6901.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18: To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Office thereof.

The single subject of this legislation is:

To direct the Secretary of Defense to submit to Congress a report on Department of Defense restrictions on the employment of former Department employees by certain countries

By Ms. SLOTKIN:

H.R. 6902.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18: To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Office thereof.

The single subject of this legislation is:

To direct the Department of Defense to report to Congress on the efforts of the Department to coordinate with the defense industrial base for purposes of countering certain capabilities of the People's Liberation Army.

By Ms. SLOTKIN:

H.R. 6903.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18: To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Office thereof.

The single subject of this legislation is:

To direct the Secretary of Defense to develop a plan to ensure an adequate supply of medications for the military health system

By Ms. SLOTKIN:

H.R. 6904.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18: To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.

The single subject of this legislation is:

This bill requires the Department of State to increase consular personnel to support the processing of visa applications for Afghan nationals.

By Mr. TORRES of New York:

H.R. 6905.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8.

The single subject of this legislation is:

Building safety inspections

By Mr. WESTERMAN:

H.R. 6906.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

This bill is enacted pursuant to the Commerce Clause, Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3, along with the Necessary and Proper Clause, Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18.

The single subject of this legislation is:

To amend fee retention structure at USACE sites

## ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions, as follows:

H.R. 40: Ms. DELAURO.

H.R. 396: Mrs. RAMIREZ and Ms. LEE of Nevada.

H.R. 537: Mr. ROSE, Mrs. CHAVEZ-DEREMER, Mrs. KIGGANS of Virginia, and Mr. ADERHOLT.

H.R. 743: Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania.

H.R. 770: Ms. BALINT.

H.R. 830: Mr. LIEU.

H.R. 882: Ms. WATERS.

H.R. 895: Mr. MORAN.

H.R. 1092: Mrs. GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN.

H.R. 1118: Ms. LEGER FERNANDEZ and Mr. CARTWRIGHT.

H.R. 1237: Mrs. HAYES.

H.R. 1624: Ms. BUSH and Ms. WATERS.

H.R. 1637: Ms. SLOTKIN.

H.R. 1697: Mr. MOLINARO.

H.R. 1703: Mr. BURLISON and Mr. NORMAN.

H.R. 1776: Mr. PETERS, Mr. MOLINARO, Ms. KAMLAGER-DOVE, and Ms. CLARKE of New York.

H.R. 1780: Mr. PAPPAS.

H.R. 1785: Mr. KEAN of New Jersey.

H.R. 1826: Mr. KILDEE.

H.R. 2370: Mr. SCHNEIDER.

H.R. 2394: Mrs. NAPOLITANO.

H.R. 2424: Ms. PINGREE.

H.R. 2501: Ms. DELAURO.

H.R. 2539: Mr. PASCRELL and Mr. CARTER of Georgia.

H.R. 2573: Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia.

H.R. 2574: Mr. MOLINARO and Mr. GOLDMAN of New York.

H.R. 2666: Mr. IVEY.

H.R. 2732: Mrs. MILLER of Illinois.

H.R. 2930: Mr. MORAN and Mr. PETERS.

H.R. 3037: Mr. CORREA.

H.R. 3090: Ms. WATERS, Ms. BUSH, and Mr. VICENTE GONZALEZ of Texas.

H.R. 3238: Mr. SWALWELL and Mr. D'ESPOSITO.

H.R. 3409: Mr. IVEY and Ms. BALINT.

H.R. 3432: Mr. MOLINARO.

H.R. 3475: Ms. WATERS, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, and Ms. BUSH.

H.R. 3510: Mr. ALLRED and Ms. BALINT.

H.R. 3546: Ms. SLOTKIN.

H.R. 3599: Ms. HOULAHAN.

H.R. 3639: Ms. SLOTKIN.

H.R. 3990: Mr. MOLINARO.

H.R. 4040: Ms. MATSUI.

H.R. 4050: Mr. GALLEG0, Mr. CÁRDENAS, and Mr. IVEY.

H.R. 4274: Mr. D'ESPOSITO.

H.R. 4343: Ms. CLARKE of New York.

H.R. 4370: Mr. POSEY.

H.R. 4426: Ms. WILD and Mr. GOLDMAN of New York.

H.R. 4567: Mr. MOULTON.

H.R. 4646: Ms. PINGREE.

H.R. 4750: Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mr. LATURNER, Ms. STANSBURY, and Mr. BOWMAN.

H.R. 4756: Mr. KEAN of New Jersey and Mr. BLUMENAUER.

H.R. 4845: Mr. DESAULNIER.

H.R. 5012: Ms. SCHOLTEN, Mr. PANETTA, Ms. SLOTKIN, and Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina.

H.R. 5030: Mr. MOLINARO.

H.R. 5041: Ms. BUSH, Ms. STANSBURY, and Mr. AUCHINCLOSS.  
H.R. 5045: Mr. MOLINARO.  
H.R. 5048: Mr. AMO, Ms. SCHRIER, Ms. SPANBERGER, and Mr. DOGGETT.  
H.R. 5096: Mr. MOLINARO.  
H.R. 5186: Mr. MOLINARO.  
H.R. 5399: Ms. WATERS and Ms. BUSH.  
H.R. 5509: Mr. MOLINARO.  
H.R. 5563: Mr. CASAR.  
H.R. 5740: Mr. MOLINARO, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, and Mr. HARDER of California.  
H.R. 5759: Mr. MOLINARO.  
H.R. 5785: Mr. MOLINARO.  
H.R. 5820: Mrs. STEEL, Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania, Mr. VALADAO, Mrs. MILLER of West Virginia, Mr. COSTA, and Mr. TONKO.  
H.R. 5829: Ms. PINGREE.  
H.R. 6013: Mr. GOTTHEIMER.  
H.R. 6032: Mr. MOLINARO.  
H.R. 6079: Mr. DESAULNIER.  
H.R. 6109: Mr. STEUBE.  
H.R. 6286: Mr. GOOD of Virginia.  
H.R. 6326: Mr. CRENSHAW, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. CARTER of Georgia, Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS, and Mr. CISCOMANI.  
H.R. 6331: Mr. LAWLER.  
H.R. 6373: Ms. SLOTKIN.  
H.R. 6421: Mrs. HINSON and Mr. VALADAO.  
H.R. 6469: Mr. MOLINARO.  
H.R. 6569: Ms. PINGREE and Mr. GRIJALVA.  
H.R. 6585: Mr. FLOOD, Mr. TRONE, Ms. MALOY, and Mr. WALBERG.  
H.R. 6655: Mr. WALBERG, Mr. MORAN, Mr. DESAULNIER, Mr. COURTNEY, Mrs. MCBATH, Mr. SABLAN, Mr. NORCROSS, Ms. BONAMICI, Mr. ZINKE, Mr. LATURNER, Mrs. BICE, Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania, and Mrs. HOUCHIN.  
H.R. 6751: Mr. RUIZ.  
H.R. 6759: Mr. ALLRED and Mr. MOLINARO.  
H.R. 6827: Mr. LAWLER.  
H.R. 6831: Mr. GOODEN of Texas.  
H.R. 6832: Mr. MOLINARO.  
H.R. 6875: Mr. SMITH of New Jersey and Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ.  
H.J. Res. 13: Mr. FROST, Mr. AGUILAR, Mr. IVEY, and Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER.  
H. Res. 147: Ms. SLOTKIN.  
H. Res. 376: Mr. NORCROSS.  
H. Res. 389: Ms. CLARKE of New York.  
H. Res. 585: Mr. MOULTON.  
H. Res. 627: Mrs. HINSON.  
H. Res. 716: Ms. SLOTKIN.  
H. Res. 740: Ms. SLOTKIN.  
H. Res. 882: Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mr. COSTA, Mr. MULLIN, Ms. LEE of California, and Mr. CÁRDENAS.



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The Senate met at 8 a.m. and was called to order by the Honorable LAPHONZA R. BUTLER, a Senator from the State of California.

### APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President pro tempore (Mrs. MURRAY).

The senior assistant legislative clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,  
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,  
Washington, DC, December 22, 2023.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable LAPHONZA R. BUTLER, a Senator from the State of California, to perform the duties of the Chair.

PATTY MURRAY,  
President pro tempore.

Ms. BUTLER thereupon assumed the Chair as Acting President pro tempore.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL TUESDAY,  
DECEMBER 26, 2023, AT 9 A.M.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate stands adjourned until 9 a.m. on Tuesday, December 26, 2023.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 8 and 31 seconds a.m., was adjourned until Tuesday, December 26, 2023, at 9 a.m.

• This “bullet” symbol identifies statements or insertions which are not spoken by a Member of the Senate on the floor.



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# EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

CONGRATULATING MR. TOM SCHMITZ ON 44 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE U.S. SHIPBUILDING INDUSTRY

## HON. BLAINE LUETKEMEYER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 22, 2023

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Mr. Tom Schmitz on 44 years of service to Leonardo DRS and our country.

At the end of this year, Mr. Schmitz will retire from his position as the Director of Business Development—Navy Sales. Born and raised in St. Louis, Mr. Schmitz began his career in shipbuilding in 1979 and has seen the U.S. confront some of our greatest military challenges, all while overseeing the placement of DRS Marlo products on every Navy submarine and surface combatant. Mr. Schmitz now retires as the most senior employee at DRS Marlo in High Ridge, MO.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in honoring Mr. Schmitz's exceptional career and wishing him a very happy and well-deserved retirement.

HONORING THE PINECREST PATRIOTS ON WINNING THEIR SIXTH GIRLS GOLF STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

## HON. RICHARD HUDSON

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 22, 2023

Mr. HUDSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Pinecrest High School Women's Golf Team on winning their second straight state championship.

Last month, for the second straight year and the sixth time in school history, the women of Pinecrest High School have brought the North Carolina High School Athletic Association championship back home to Southern Pines. The Patriots won this year's championship by a hefty 10 strokes over their closest rival, Northwest Guilford. After this year's victory, Pinecrest is tied for the most N.C. High School Athletic Association girls' golf titles of all time. Additionally, Pinecrest placed three individual golfers in the top 12 and four in the top 17.

The coaches and players of the Pinecrest Women's Golf Team have brought great pride to both their school and all of Moore County. I wish them all the best and hope to see them continue their great success next season. Go Patriots!

Mr. Speaker, please join me today in congratulating the coaches and golfers of Pinecrest High School on their victory in this year's N.C. High School Athletic Association 4A girls' golf state championship.

IN MEMORY OF GLENN SPENCER

## HON. ANDY BARR

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 22, 2023

Mr. BARR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of a special man, Glenn Spencer.

He was born in Mt. Sterling, Kentucky on August 21, 1945. He passed away on December 8, 2023, at his home in the Peeled Oak community of Bath County, Kentucky.

Mr. Spencer graduated from Bath County High School and from Lexington Barber College. For 58 years, he worked as a barber. In addition to haircuts, he provided his customers with a listening ear and with friendship. Mr. Spencer also worked the land, growing trees, pumpkins, hay, and vegetables with his brother-in-law Joe Karrick. Their business, Big Oak Nursery, provided trees all across Central Kentucky.

Mr. Spencer was a friend to many in his community, always ready to lend a helping hand and assist friends, family, neighbors, and strangers as needs arose. He was an active member and elder in his church, Kendall Springs Church of Christ. He taught classes there for young children for many years. He was married to his high school sweetheart, Bonnie, for 58 years. They have two daughters, one son, four grandchildren, and a large extended family.

Glenn Spencer was a kind, devoted, and dependable man who helped others every chance he had. He made a difference in his community and through the lives of those he touched. I am honored to lift up his life before the United States Congress.

CONGRATULATING DUCHESNE BOYS' SOCCER ON THEIR CLASS 1 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

## HON. BLAINE LUETKEMEYER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 22, 2023

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Duchesne High School on their victory in Missouri's Class 1 Boys' Soccer State Championship.

The Pioneers claimed the Class 1 title for the first time in 20 years with a narrow 1-0 victory over Dubourg. Junior Zach Hubert came off the bench to net the game's only goal, as goalie Ben Burke led the defense in recording its ninth shutout of the season. The team should be commended for all their hard work throughout the past year and for bringing home a state championship to their school and community.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in recognizing the Duchesne Boys' Soccer Team for a job well done.

HONORING CHIEF DEPUTY WILLIAM "RICHARD" MANESS FOR HIS OVER THREE DECADES OF LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICE TO THE PEOPLE OF NORTH CAROLINA

## HON. RICHARD HUDSON

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 22, 2023

Mr. HUDSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Chief Deputy William "Richard" Maness on his retirement from the Moore County Sheriff's Office and to thank him for his more than 37 years of total law enforcement service.

Maness is a born and bred native of Moore County, North Carolina. He grew up in Robbins, attended North Moore High School and went on to college at Appalachian State University, graduating with a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice. Shortly after graduation, he began what would be a dynamic career in law enforcement.

Over the course of his career, Maness would serve in various law enforcement capacities across the state. In 1990, Maness joined the North Carolina State Highway Patrol where he rose the ranks, achieving the rank of Captain before his retirement from the group in 2014. After leaving the North Carolina State Highway Patrol, he took a position as the school resource officer with STARs Charter School. Eventually, in 2018, Sheriff Ronnie Fields appointed Richard as his Chief Deputy, a position he has served in up until this day.

Maness' dedication to service and constant willingness to step up when needed is commendable and inspiring. It has been an honor serving the people of Moore County alongside him and I wish him all the best as he begins this next chapter of his life.

Mr. Speaker, please join me today in recognizing William "Richard" Maness for his great service to our community and the great state of North Carolina.

TRIBUTE TO HONOR THE LIFE OF DON HORSLEY

## HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, December 22, 2023

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Don Horsley, a great patriot and true public servant, who died of cancer on November 24, 2023, at the age of 80.

Don Horsley was born in San Francisco and moved with his family to Daly City where he attended high school and earned his Bachelor's degree from San Francisco State. After college he worked for the Daly City Police Department, then became a juvenile counselor for the San Mateo County Probation Department.

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Don began work at the San Mateo County Sheriff's Office in 1972, and in 1993 was elected County Sheriff. As Sheriff he upgraded deputy training and helped plan the new corrections center to include medical and mental health care facilities.

In 2010 he was elected to the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors, where he served with distinction until 2022. While on the Board he improved mental health services, improved access to parks and open spaces, and provided expanded services for the homeless.

Don Horsley was a remarkable man and a tireless public servant whose tremendous legacy and impact will not be forgotten. He was a man who cared about the most vulnerable in our community, was a man of enormous integrity, and had a great sense of humor. He lived a full and distinguished life, and his work defines what good government is all about.

Mr. Speaker, I ask the entire House of Representatives to join me in honoring the life and work of Don Horsley, and in extending our most sincere condolences to his entire family.

He was a good man who did great things to better our communities and strengthen our country. Don Horsley was a national treasure.

CONGRATULATING FATHER  
TOLTON ON THEIR CLASS 5  
GIRLS' CROSS-COUNTRY STATE  
CHAMPIONSHIP

**HON. BLAINE LUETKEMEYER**

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, December 22, 2023*

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Father Tolton Catholic High School on their victory in Missouri's Class 5 Girls' Team Cross-Country Championship.

The Trailblazers claimed the Class 5 title, becoming the only school in the state to win state titles in three separate classes. The team should be commended for all their hard work throughout the past year and for bringing home this state championship to their school and community.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in recognizing the Father Tolton Girls' Cross-Country Team for a job well done.

HONORING THE LIFE OF ALFRED  
'SMOKEY' DREHER

**HON. JOE COURTNEY**

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, December 22, 2023*

Mr. COURTNEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of Alfred 'Smokey' Dreher of Vernon, Connecticut. Alfred was a true, devoted member of the Vernon community, always looking for ways to keep others safe. Aged 89, Mr. Dreher sadly but peacefully passed away on December 2nd.

Born on August 14, 1934, to Gladys and Alfred O. Dreher, Sr. in Rockville, Connecticut, Alfred attended Rockville High School, graduating in 1953. Even before his completion of high school, Alfred joined the Rockville Fire Department in 1950 as a Junior Firefighter. Alfred served as a part of the Hockanum Host

Company as a hose-man, ladder-man, and driver, eager to fill in wherever necessary.

Upon his high school graduation, Alfred entered the workforce, joining the Aetna Life and Casualty Insurance Company in Hartford as an Apprentice Underwriter. It was here that Alfred met the love of his life and wife of 59 years, Diane.

In 1955, Alfred heeded his nation's call to action and joined the Army as a Heavy Equipment Transport Driver at Fort Lee Virginia and Fort Dix New Jersey. It was during this service that Alfred and Diane got married and began their lives together. After an honorable discharge in 1962, Alfred and Diane relocated to Rockville, where they would remain the rest of their married life. Alfred rejoined Aetna in the Supply Department, as a Security Guard. Alfred retired from Aetna in 1992, after 40 years. As if 40 years of service isn't enough, Alfred never missed a day of work because of illness, always dedicated to his commitments.

Throughout his career, Alfred remained unwavering in his work as a firefighter. When the Rockville and Vernon Fire Departments merged into the Town of Vernon Fire Department, Alfred became an EMT. He served with Rescue 411 as a driver and paramedic and attained the rank of second Lieutenant. After 55 years as a Firefighter and EMT, Alfred semi-retired. This retirement did not, however, stop Alfred's work with the Vernon Fire Department. Alfred joined the Town of Vernon Fire Police to make sure responding crews were sufficiently equipped with tools and to help with traffic control during accidents and fires. Alfred is the longest-serving firefighter in Vernon's history, concluding an astonishing 65 years with the Fire Department upon his retirement in 2015.

Alfred's selfless devotion to creating a safe and welcoming community was without limits. He was involved in numerous local organizations such as American Legion Post 14 in Vernon to organize and advocate for fellow veterans. To help ensure others were equipped to successfully serve their communities, Alfred taught as a First Aid and CPR instructor for the American Red Cross. He spent his free time as a volunteer for Meals on Wheels, delivering meals to seniors in the region. Alfred was also a devout member of St. John's Episcopal Church in Vernon for over half a century.

Mr. Speaker, I am incredibly lucky to represent constituents as devoted to serving their communities as Alfred. As a resident of the town of Vernon for the last forty years, I had the honor and privilege to know Al and his son Jeffrey and can personally attest to his steadfast commitment to the fire department, and what a beloved and respected leader he was in town. He was completely down to earth and had a wry sense of humor. The loss of Alfred leaves a deep void in the Vernon community. Alfred's work giving back to those around him was extraordinary. Though we mourn this loss, we take solace in the knowledge that his legacy will live on in those he impacted. Alfred is survived by his sons John and Jeffrey, sisters Nancy, Irene, and Tina, half-brother John, grandson Joseph and countless nieces and nephews. I ask my colleagues to join me as we memorialize Alfred's faithful service to his community.

CELEBRATING THE LEGACY OF  
MR. IRA DAVID WOOD, III

**HON. WILEY NICKEL**

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, December 22, 2023*

Mr. NICKEL. Mr. Speaker, today, I rise to honor and celebrate an icon of North Carolina's cultural landscape. Mr. Ira David Wood, III, as we celebrate the 50th anniversary of his legendary portrayal of Ebenezer Scrooge in Ira David Wood, III's "A Christmas Carol."

Mr. Wood's unique and comedic adaptation of this Christmas classic has become a beloved holiday tradition for the Raleigh community.

As the first Eagle Scout in Enfield, North Carolina, and one of the first students to graduate from the North Carolina School of Arts. Mr. Wood has always been a trailblazer and his passion for the arts has been unwavering.

His visionary leadership in theater, coupled with his remarkable talents as an actor, author, singer, and playwright, has left a profound impact on the arts in North Carolina.

As the founder and Executive Director of Theatre in the Park in Raleigh, Mr. Wood has been instrumental in making theater more accessible and engaging for our community.

Mr. Wood wrote and directed the Opening Ceremonies for the U.S. Olympic Festival in 1987, served as a guest artist with the North Carolina Symphony and the National Symphony Orchestra, and has written numerous original plays and three books.

His success in elevating North Carolina's vibrant all scene has earned him prestigious recognitions, including two Medal of Arts awards, the North Carolina Award in Fine Arts, and The Order of the Long Leaf Pine, the highest civilian honor in North Carolina.

It's with great admiration and gratitude that we celebrate Ira David Wood, III's 50 years of artistic excellence, particularly his innovative and humorous rendition of "A Christmas Carol."

As we celebrate this milestone, let's applaud Mr. Wood's extraordinary contributions not only to the arts but to the heart and soul of North Carolina.

Please join me in congratulating Mr. Wood on this remarkable achievement and wishing him continued success.

CONGRATULATING LUKE SIEVERS  
ON THE CLASS 5 CROSS-COUNTRY  
STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

**HON. BLAINE LUETKEMEYER**

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, December 22, 2023*

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Luke Sievers on his victory in Missouri's Class 5 Individual Cross-Country Championship.

Luke claimed the Class 5 title by setting a course-record time of 14 minutes, 51.9 seconds in the 5,000-meter race to secure his first high school cross-country victory and lead the team to a win in the Team Championship. Luke should be commended for all his hard work throughout the past year and for bringing

home a state championship to his school and community.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in recognizing Luke Sievers for a job well done.

**HONORING GEORGE LITTLE FOR HIS SERVICE TO SANDHILLS COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND THE PEOPLE OF MOORE COUNTY**

**HON. RICHARD HUDSON**

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, December 22, 2023*

Mr. HUDSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor George Little for his great service to Sandhills Community College (SCC) and to thank him for serving as Chairman of SCC's Board of Trustees.

Earlier this month, George announced that he was stepping down as Chairman of the SCC Board of Trustees, a role he has served in for almost four decades. George became board chair in 1985 and under his leadership both the college and our community at large have grown tremendously. When George became Chairman, SCC was still a small, growing institution. However, George saw its potential as an academic institution and development driver. During his tenure, SCC has risen to become an academic powerhouse and established an endowment of over \$50 million, a sum unheard of at the community college level.

George is a nationally recognized academic leader, great American and dear friend. While he will continue to serve on the college's board, I certainly know he will be missed at the helm. That being said, I know he will continue to serve with vigor and have full faith that his chosen successor, Larry Caddell, will be able to carry on George's great work.

George's dedication to service and constant willingness to step up when needed is commendable and inspiring. It has been an honor serving the people of Moore County alongside him.

Mr. Speaker, please join me today in recognizing George Little for his service to our community and the great state of North Carolina.

**HONORING CRYSTAL LANGHORNE**

**HON. ANDY KIM**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, December 22, 2023*

Mr. KIM of New Jersey. I rise today to honor the achievements and outstanding athletic career of Crystal Langhorne, a resident of Willingboro, New Jersey and a trailblazer on the basketball court.

A former member of the Willingboro High School's girls basketball team. Crystal became the all-time highest scorer with over 2,000 points in her high school career. Not only did she possess athletic prowess on the court, she continuously showed sportsmanship and camaraderie to her teammates, coaches, and opponents.

Crystal continued her basketball career at the University of Maryland, where she led the team to an historic national championship in 2006 as a key starter for the Terrapins. A

fierce athlete, she became Maryland's all-time highest scorer and record holder with 2,247 career points. Upon graduating Crystal started her tenure as a professional basketball player in the WNBA, playing for the Washington Mystics and, later, the Seattle Storm. She continued to demonstrate her love for the game and unparalleled talent racking up more remarkable accolades, including Most Improved Player and All-WNBA honors.

Crystal's talents don't end within the 94 feet of hardwood. Since her retirement from the WNBA she has been a force for social justice across our country. As the Director at Forece4Change, a social justice platform for the Seattle Storm, Crystal helps amplify the voices of black women, fights for voting rights for all Americans, and supports BIPOC and LGBTQ+ communities through a wide variety of initiatives. Recently, she had the opportunity to speak about racial and social justice platforms at the White House.

The scope of her work has touched the lives of thousands across the country, including many in New Jersey's Third District. This month, Crystal's alma mater, Willingboro Township School District, dedicated the high school gymnasium in her honor. Crystal was able to celebrate the special night and notable achievement with the Willingboro community, former coaches and teammates in what is now the Crystal Langhorne Gymnasium.

Crystal Langhorne embodies the tenacity and spirit of Willingboro Township that makes me proud to represent this community. We are lucky to have her as one of our own as an inspiration to young basketball players and community leaders throughout our district.

**CONGRATULATING THE SCHOOL OF THE OSAGE ON THEIR CLASS 2 GIRLS' GOLF STATE CHAMPIONSHIP**

**HON. BLAINE LUETKEMEYER**

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, December 22, 2023*

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating the School of the Osage on their victory in Missouri's Class 2 Girls' Team Golf Championship.

The Indians claimed the Class 2 title for the second consecutive year by beating Incarnate Word by 32 strokes. The team should be commended for all their hard work throughout the past year and for bringing home this state championship to their school and community.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in recognizing the Osage Girls' Golf Team for a job well done.

**COMMEMORATING GEROLD PRATHER**

**HON. BILL HUIZENGA**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, December 22, 2023*

Mr. HUIZENGA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and commemorate the heroic actions of Gerold Prather. On May 15, 2022, Mr. Prather of Kalamazoo, Michigan, rescued a

teenage boy who was struggling to swim in Lake Michigan.

That day, the teenage boy and his friends were at least 100 feet out in the lake when they started to call for help. The friends were struggling and had submerged under the water.

In another group at the beach, Mr. Prather heard calls for help, entered the lake, and swam to the boys. Reaching them, the boys submerged and resurfaced. With difficulty, Mr. Prather first pushed a boy toward the beach and then positioned him on his back and towed him to a point about 50 feet from shore where, tiring, Mr. Prather shouted for help. Another man waded into the lake and helped Mr. Prather and the boy get to the beach.

In honor of these lifesaving actions, Mr. Prather has been awarded the Carnegie Medal, a prestigious honor bestowed upon those who "enter extreme danger while saving or attempting to save the lives of others." Mr. Prather is one of 16 total Carnegie Medal recipients slated to receive the honor in 2023.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in thanking Mr. Prather for his heroism and commemorating him for his lifesaving actions.

**RECOGNIZING GLOBAL HUMANE'S LAUNCH OF HUMANE TOURISM CERTIFICATION PROGRAM HELPING TO PUT ANIMAL WELFARE AT THE FOREFRONT OF TOURISM**

**HON. BRIAN K. FITZPATRICK**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, December 22, 2023*

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize important efforts on behalf of animals worldwide and the humane treatment of animals through a new Humane Tourism certification program created by Global Humane, the international brand of American Humane, the first and most experienced national humane organization which was created in 1877 to ensure the safety, welfare, and well-being of animals.

Global Humane has extended its conservation impact with this new Humane Tourism program. At the same time as millions of people worldwide seek opportunities to connect with Earth's majestic wildlife, Global Humane has identified an opportunity to apply its expertise in animal welfare and create a unique certification program to help ensure animals are treated humanely in the travel and hospitality industry. The first audits were conducted in August 2023, which established that the properties met the certification requirements. The sites that are certified include Nyosi Wildlife Reserve and Mantis Founders Lodge in South Africa, Ichingo Chobe River Lodge in Namibia, and Zambezi Queen on the border of Namibia and Botswana.

Humane Tourism is a unique animal welfare certification program that assesses and certifies wildlife reserves, lodging facilities, and tour operators for their humane responsibility toward the animal life that these operations may encounter and have the potential to impact.

Mr. Speaker, I ask today that we recognize the importance and impact the Global Humane Tourism certification can have on keeping animals safe in the tourism industry worldwide.

HONORING CHIEF CARL COLASACCO FOR HIS MANY YEARS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICE TO THE PEOPLE OF NORTH CAROLINA

### HON. RICHARD HUDSON

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, December 22, 2023*

Mr. HUDSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Chief Carl Colasacco on his retirement from the Aberdeen Police Department and to thank him for his more than 31 years of law enforcement service.

Colasacco's esteemed law enforcement career began over three decades ago in 1992, when he started as a reserve officer with the Pinebluff Police Department. Over the course of his career, he would serve in various law enforcement capacities across our community. In 1995, Colasacco joined the Aberdeen Police Department, where he steadily rose the ranks. He served as a patrol officer, detective, Captain, Deputy Chief and, eventually, Chief of Police. The wealth of knowledge and experience Colasacco has provided is astounding and I think I speak for the whole of our community when I say he will be dearly missed as he enters retirement.

Colasacco's dedication to service and constant willingness to step up when needed is commendable and inspiring. It has been an honor serving the people of Moore County alongside him and I wish him all the best as he begins this next chapter of his life.

Mr. Speaker, please join me today in recognizing Chief Carl Colasacco for his great service to our community and the great state of North Carolina.

CONGRATULATING ROCK BRIDGE CROSS-COUNTRY ON THEIR CLASS 5 BOYS' STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

### HON. BLAINE LUETKEMEYER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, December 22, 2023*

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Rock Bridge High School on their victory in Missouri's Class 5 Boys' Team Cross-Country Championship.

The Bruins claimed the Class 5 title, having not one but two top-three finishers. They won by just 8 points, meaning that every student-athlete's determination was essential in clinching this victory. The team should be commended for all their hard work throughout the past year and for bringing home another state championship to their school and community.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in recognizing the Rock Bridge Cross-Country Team for a job well done.

HONORING R.J. CORMAN RAILROAD GROUP

### HON. ANDY BARR

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, December 22, 2023*

Mr. BARR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a unique and important business, R.J. Corman Railroad Group, which is headquartered in Nicholasville, Kentucky. The company is celebrating its 50th anniversary in 2023.

R.J. Corman Railroad Group was founded in 1973 in Central Kentucky by visionary entrepreneur and philanthropist Richard J. Corman with a single backhoe and a dump truck. The company now operates in 24 states and more than 70 locations throughout our nation. R.J. Corman Railroad Group employs more than 1,400 people, over 500 of which are based in the state of Kentucky.

R.J. Corman Railroad Group's numerous services encompass railroad construction, short line railroad operations, industrial switching services, transloading operations, emergency response services, track material logistics, distribution centers, signal design and construction, and My Old Kentucky Dinner Train. The company serves six Class I freight railroads, many regional and short line railroads, as well as various rail-served industries. R.J. Corman Railroad Company operates three short line railroads serving multiple regions of the state contributing to the economic development of the corresponding communities. Through its dedicated employees, R.J. Corman Railroad Group strives to be the best-in-class service provider in the industry through its total commitment to customer satisfaction, increasing efficient operations while providing an ever-improving safe, and rewarding work environment.

R.J. Corman Railroad Group is a highly respected Kentucky business. As the company celebrates its 50th anniversary, I congratulate all their employees and wish them a bright future. I am honored to recognize this company before the United States Congress.

RECOGNIZING DEPUTY CHIEF DENNIS J. SORENSEN

### HON. SCOTT PERRY

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, December 22, 2023*

Mr. PERRY. Mr. Speaker, I am honored to recognize Deputy Chief Dennis J. Sorensen on the auspicious occasion of his retirement on January 10, 2024, from the City of Harrisburg Bureau of Police after more than 31 years of distinguished and tireless service.

Dennis began his career on May 22, 1992. He was a member of the 53rd class of Harrisburg Area Community College Police Academy and graduated in September 1992.

Serving the majority of his time in the 1st Platoon as a Patrol Officer on the midnight shift, then Patrol Officer Sorensen was promoted to Corporal in 2000. He earned his way to the Criminal Investigations Division, becoming the Adult Offender Supervisor from 2000 to 2011. After earning promotion to Sergeant, he commanded the Special Operations Unit,

and served with the Harrisburg Bureau of Police to assist in the Hurricane Katrina disaster. In 2011, Sergeant Sorensen was reassigned to the Uniformed Division, and served as the Officer in Charge of the 2nd Platoon. Through his outstanding work, shortly after his previous promotion, Sergeant Sorensen earned the rank of Lieutenant, and served as commander of the 1st Platoon until 2018. In 2020, he earned the rank of Captain, and commanded the Uniformed Patrol Division, and was honored with the position of Deputy Chief position in 2021.

Along with his impressive law enforcement record, Deputy Chief Dennis Sorensen is a decorated Veteran of the United States Army, wherein he served honorably for 30 years, achieving the rank of Colonel. He earned his Bachelor's degree and military commission from the California University of Pennsylvania, and served in myriad and vast leadership positions, deployments, and training schools; of particular note, earning the coveted status of Master Army Aviator. His military awards and decorations include: Army Meritorious Service Medal; Army Commendation Medal; Army Achievement Medal; Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal; National Defense Service Medal; Global War on Terrorism Service Medal; Kosovo Campaign Medal; Iraq Campaign Medal; Armed Forces Reserve Medal; Army Service Ribbon; Overseas Service Ribbon; NATO Medal; the Master Army Aviator Badge; the Pennsylvania Meritorious Service Ribbon; Pennsylvania Service Ribbon; Pennsylvania Twenty Year Service Medal; Pennsylvania General Thomas J. Stewart Medal; and the Pennsylvania Major General R. White Jr. Medal.

Mr. Speaker, I am honored and privileged to recognize Deputy Chief Dennis J. Sorensen on his well-earned retirement from the City of Harrisburg Police Bureau. His tireless, faithful, and selfless service of more than 39 years to community, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and the United States of America sets the standard by which we all should be judged.

RECOGNIZING DR. ROBERT H. BERNARD

### HON. RASHIDA TLAIB

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, December 22, 2023*

Ms. TLAIB. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Dr. Robert H. Bernard for his outstanding service and leadership as Board Chair for Operation Refuge, a grassroots organization based in Western Wayne County.

Operation Refuge provides essential services like emergency food assistance and youth programming to some of the most underserved populations in Wayne County and whose mission is to serve the community with compassion, empathy, and integrity. As Board Chair, Dr. Bernard leads with this mission as his top priority. He has worked tirelessly to foster community development and promote career-driven and educational opportunities for the youth. Dr. Bernard has gone above and beyond to ensure that youth programs, such as Camp Inspire, are inviting and fulfilling and that youth scholarship funding is plentiful and available. Overall, Dr. Bernard's leadership

and service at Operation Refuge has made a long-lasting, positive impact on the community. His care for the youth and people of this community is evident and overflowing.

Please join me in acknowledging Dr. Robert H. Bernard for his passionate leadership and dedicated service to Operation Refuge and the community.

CONGRATULATING HANNA  
MASCHHOFF ON HER CLASS 2  
GOLF STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

**HON. BLAINE LUETKEMEYER**

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, December 22, 2023*

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Hanna Maschhoff on her victory in Missouri's Class 2 Individual Golf State Championship.

Hanna claimed the Class 2 individual title for the School of the Osage, making it her fourth time receiving all-state honors. Hanna shot a two-day total of 153 to hold off the second-place finisher by one stroke. She should be commended for all her hard work throughout the past year and for bringing home another state championship to her school and community.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in recognizing Hanna Maschhoff for a job well done.

RECOGNIZING STUART MILLS  
BEING NAMED AS THE MAN OF  
THE YEAR BY THE MOORE COUNTY  
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

**HON. RICHARD HUDSON**

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, December 22, 2023*

Mr. HUDSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Stuart Mills on being named as the Man of the Year by the Moore County Community Foundation.

Stuart Mills' impact on Moore County is similarly robust and wide ranging. He has and continues to work in many important community leadership roles, including as Chairman of The Given Tufts Foundation, director of Pinehurst's Village Heritage Foundation, as well as board Chairman and trustee of The O'Neal School. Likewise, Governor Roy Cooper appointed Stuart to North Carolina's Financial Literacy Council last year. Stuart's most prominent community role is as Executive Director of Partners for Children and Families, a private nonprofit organization promoting early childhood development in Moore County.

Stuart's dedication to the people of Moore County is without question. His many years of service are both commendable and inspiring. I know I speak for everyone in our community when I say that we are grateful for all he has done to improve the place we call home.

Mr. Speaker, please join me today in honoring Stuart Mills on being named Man of the Year and to thank him for all he has done for the people of Moore County.

HONORING SAISHA WHITE

**HON. FREDERICA S. WILSON**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, December 22, 2023*

Ms. WILSON of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the service of Saisha White, my legislative assistant who has dedicated her time to serving the people of Florida's 24th Congressional District.

A Cleveland native, Saisha moved to Florida to obtain her law degree at Florida A&M University after obtaining her bachelor's at Miami University. Her time in law school inspired her passion to secure equity and opportunities across marginalized communities.

Saisha came to my office ready to make a difference. She worked her way up to becoming my legislative assistant, handling my Transportation & Infrastructure Committee work. In her time as my legislative assistant, she managed my proposed legislation, amendments—many of which were included in critical legislation and advocated for critical issues to better the lives of those across the country.

Known for her dedication to giving back and empowering others, one of Saisha's greatest attributes is her selflessness. Her willingness to continually give back is one of her many attributes that will inevitably result in success in this field.

Saisha's heart is dedicated to equity for Black and brown communities, and she is moving on from my office to continue that work. Upon transitioning from my office, Saisha will go on to advocate for safer communities, criminal justice reform, and civil rights access for marginalized communities.

On behalf of Florida's 24th Congressional District, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Saisha White for her drive and dedication to public service.

CONGRATULATING ST. CHARLES  
WEST ON THEIR CLASS 3 GIRLS'  
CROSS-COUNTRY STATE CHAM-  
PIONSHIP

**HON. BLAINE LUETKEMEYER**

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, December 22, 2023*

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating St. Charles West High School on their victory in Missouri's Class 3 Girls' Team Cross-Country Championship.

By claiming the Class 3 title, the Warriors are now state champions for the second consecutive year. Every member of the team performed admirably, beating out their closest competition by nearly 100 points. The team should be commended for all their hard work throughout the past year and for bringing home a state championship to their school and community.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in recognizing the St. Charles West Girls' Cross-Country Team for a job well done.

COMMEMORATING THE CITY OF  
RICHMOND HEIGHTS

**HON. CORI BUSH**

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, December 22, 2023*

Ms. BUSH. Mr. Speaker, St. Louis and I rise to commemorate the 110th anniversary of the City of Richmond Heights, located in Missouri's First District. Richmond Heights was incorporated on December 29, 1913 with just 18 families residing in the area. Since then, the population has grown to 9,286.

Richmond Heights has been home to many Missourians who brought the joys of art and music to St. Louis, such as jazz singer Mae Wheeler, rock-n-roll legend Chuck Berry, artist Ernest Trova, gospel singer Doris Fiddmont Frazier, architect Henry Hampton, and filmmaker Henry Hampton Jr. Moreover, Richmond Heights is home to many impactful social justice advocates such as Dr. Thomas E. Rusan, Jr., Georgia Tallier Rusan, and Rev. James E. Fiddmont. It is also home to one of the most recognizable voices in St. Louis, the legendary sports commentator, Jack Buck.

Richmond Heights enriches Missouri's First District with community institutions such as the Esquire Theater, Tropicana Lanes, SSM Health St. Mary's Hospital, the Saint Louis Galleria, and the Boulevard. It includes four school districts: the Maplewood Richmond Heights School District, Clayton School District, Brentwood School District and Ladue School District, as well as Little Flower, Immaculata School, and the International Schoolhouse.

As the Congresswoman for Missouri's First District, I congratulate the residents of Richmond Heights and their current leadership, including Mayor Jim Thomson and Councilmembers Lisa Eppert, Greg Vescovo, Reginald Finney, Maurice Muia, Megan Moylan, Ashley Metcalf, Danny Hebenstreit and Scott Huston on 110 fruitful years. Here's to 110 more.

TRIBUTE TO HONOR THE LIFE OF  
MICHAEL ELLIOTT FOX

**HON. ANNA G. ESHOO**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, December 22, 2023*

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and work of Michael E. Fox, Sr., a strong force for good in the South Bay who died on November 3, 2023, at the age of 87.

Michael Fox was born in Chicago on September 23, 1936 and attended Bishop Quarter Military Academy there, Campion Jesuit High School in Wisconsin, graduated from Notre Dame University in Indiana, and earned a degree in Brewing Science and Technology from the Siebel Institute of Technology in Chicago. He met his wife Mary Ellen in Illinois, and the couple moved to California. They bought a home in Saratoga in 1965 and acquired a small beer distributorship, which grew from 10 employees to more than 200 during 50 years of business.

Michael Fox and Mary Ellen were renowned for their extraordinary philanthropy, and he held leadership roles in countless charitable

organizations. His good works earned him accolades such as Santa Clara County Philanthropist of the Year, two Papal awards, and an Honorary Degree of Doctor of Public Service from Santa Clara University.

Mike Fox was deeply devoted to his family and his Catholic faith, and his commitment to both inspired his life and brought him great joy. He was kind and affable and mentored many people over the years, ran marathons and loved Broadway musicals. Any cause that would uplift others became his cause.

Mr. Speaker, I ask the entire House of Representatives to join me in honoring the life and work of Michael Fox, and in extending our most sincere condolences to his entire family. He was a good man who did great things to better our communities and strengthen our country. Mike Fox was a national treasure.

RECOGNIZING AMIE FRALEY ON  
BEING NAMED WOMAN OF THE  
YEAR BY THE MOORE COUNTY  
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

**HON. RICHARD HUDSON**

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, December 22, 2023*

Mr. HUDSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Amie Fraley on being named Woman of the Year by the Moore County Community Foundation.

A resident of Whispering Pines, Amie Fraley has headed Habitat for Humanity of the NC Sandhills since 2014. Through providing financial backing, volunteering and advocacy services, Habitat for Humanity of the NC Sandhills helps families gain the strength and stability needed to build better lives for themselves. Under her leadership, this organization engages in fundraising efforts to construct numerous homes and provide critical repairs to around 50 homes annually. Amie hopes, and expects, to reach 1,000 families helped in the coming year. Beyond her work with Habitat, Amie is an active member of the Southern Pines Rotary Club, Moore County Chamber of Commerce, as well as other community service focused groups.

Amie's dedication to the people of Moore County is without question. Her many years of service are both commendable and inspiring. I know I speak for everyone in our community when I say that we are grateful for all she has done to better the place we call home.

Mr. Speaker, please join me today in honoring Amie Fraley on being named Woman of the Year and to thank her for all she has done for the people of Moore County.

CONGRATULATING ST. DOMINIC  
GIRLS' GOLF ON THEIR CLASS 3  
STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

**HON. BLAINE LUETKEMEYER**

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, December 22, 2023*

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask my colleagues to join me in con-

gratulating the St. Dominic Girls Golf Team on their victory in Missouri's Class 3 Team Girls' Golf State Championship.

The Crusaders claimed the Class 3 title by dominating their competition. By the end of the first day, the team held a 17-shot advantage and never looked back as they went on to win by 42 strokes. The team should be commended for all their hard work throughout the past year and for bringing home a state championship to their school and community.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in recognizing the St. Dominic Girls' Golf Team for a job well done.

IN MEMORY OF BILLY HICKS

**HON. ANDY BARR**

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, December 22, 2023*

Mr. BARR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a legendary man, Billy Hicks. He was a renowned basketball coach at Scott County High School in Georgetown, Kentucky. He passed away on December 3, 2023.

Coach Hicks was born in Harlan County, Kentucky on August 23, 1952, to a coal mining family. As a child, he dreamed of coaching as a way out of the mines. He played basketball at Evarts High School in Harlan County. Coach Hicks earned a scholarship to Wofford College, where he continued to play basketball and graduated in 1974. Billy Hicks coached basketball at Evarts High School, Harlan High School, and Corbin High School. He then was hired at Scott County High School, where he coached for 25 years. Coach Hicks retired in 2019 as the winningest coach in Kentucky basketball history, with 1,023 wins. His Scott County teams won two state championships, in 1998 and 2007. He was selected at the national level to coach the 2012 McDonald's All American basketball team. Coach Hicks was inducted into the Kentucky Basketball Hall of Fame. The Billy Hicks Classic, an annual basketball tournament in Scott County, is named in his honor. He touched thousands of lives all across the country and was highly regarded by all who knew him. Coach Hicks is survived by his wife Betsy, his daughter Ashley, son-in-law Jed Johnson, and grandson Wyler Nash Johnson. He was preceded in death by his son Tyler.

Billy Hicks was well respected as a coach and as a man throughout the Commonwealth of Kentucky. I am honored to lift up his contributions to Kentucky before the United States Congress.

HONORING SENATOR JIM PERRY  
FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE PEOPLES  
OF NORTH CAROLINA

**HON. RICHARD HUDSON**

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, December 22, 2023*

Mr. HUDSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Senator Jim Perry for his great service

to the state of North Carolina and to offer my best wishes as he enters the next chapter of his career.

Earlier this month, Jim announced that he would not file for re-election for the North Carolina Senate after serving three terms. Jim has served in the state senate since 2019, and in that time, did much to support his constituents of the 2nd district and the state as a whole. He is a staunch supporter of North Carolina's agricultural industry, rural communities as well as our military personnel. What's more—Jim is a leader within the Senate itself, currently serving as Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, and is a Member of the Committees on Commerce and Insurance Health Care, Redistricting and Elections and Rules and Operations of the Senate. In his time, he's served in leadership roles on numerous other Committees. Furthermore, he also serves as Majority Whip, to which he was elected unanimously during his first term in office.

Jim is a born and bred son of North Carolina, great American and dear friend. Jim's dedication to service and constant willingness to step up when needed is commendable and inspiring. It has been an honor serving the people of North Carolina alongside him and I wish him the best in all his future endeavors.

Mr. Speaker, please join me today in recognizing Senator Jim Perry for his service to our community and the great state of North Carolina.

CONGRATULATING ALEXANDRA  
VOLKART ON HER CLASS 3  
CROSS-COUNTRY STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

**HON. BLAINE LUETKEMEYER**

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, December 22, 2023*

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Alexandra Volkart on her victory in Missouri's Class 3 Individual Cross-Country Championship.

Alexandra claimed the Class 3 title to earn her second straight championship for Southern Boone High School. She stayed with the pack for most of the race until she pulled away near the end to finish first by two seconds. Alexandra should be commended for all her hard work throughout the past year and for bringing home another state championship to her school and community.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in recognizing Alexandra Volkart for a job well done.

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

The Senate met at 8 a.m. in pro forma session, and adjourned at 8:00:31 a.m. until 9 a.m. on Tuesday, December 26, 2023.

### Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

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## House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 26 public bills, H.R. 6881–6906; and 1 resolution, H. Res. 944, were introduced. **Pages H7006–8**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H7008–9**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 4790, to amend the Federal securities laws with respect to the materiality of disclosure requirements, to establish the Public Company Advisory Committee, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 118–336); and

H.R. 6585, to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend Federal Pell Grant eligibility to certain short-term workforce programs, with an amendment (H. Rept. 118–337). **Page H7006**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Harris to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H7003**

**Senate Referrals:** S. 310 was held at the desk. S. 484 was held at the desk. S. 679 was held at the desk. S. 950 was held at the desk. S. 1414 was held at the desk. S. 1416 was held at the desk. S. 1478 was held at the desk. S. 2073 was held at the desk. S. 2685 was held at the desk. S. 3427 was held at the desk. **Page H7003**

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H7003.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** There were no Yea and Nay votes, and there were no Recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 9:04 a.m.

### Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

### Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2023

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

#### House

No hearings are scheduled.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

9 a.m., Tuesday, December 26

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

9 a.m., Tuesday, December 26

## Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senate will meet in a pro forma session.

## House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: House will meet in Pro Forma session at 9:30 a.m.

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